

Chief Data Officer

Who we are and how we impact Tennessee:

TDH incorporates our values into the work we do each day to achieve our mission, live our vision, and address the four leading causes of death in Tennessee.

Mission:

Protect, promote and improve the health and prosperity of people in Tennessee.

Vision:

Healthy people, healthy communities, healthy Tennessee

Our Values:

- Integrity
- Excellence
- Collaboration
- Compassion
- Respect

Tennessee Big Four: Leading Causes of Death in TN

1. Tobacco Use
2. Obesity
3. Physical Inactivity
4. Substance Abuse

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Job Overview:

The Tennessee Department of Health (TDH) is seeking a Chief Data Officer (CDO) located in Nashville, TN. This position reports directly to the State Commissioner of Health. The CDO oversees development of department-wide informatics capacity; data use policies, population health assessment programs, and associated activities.

Responsibilities Include:

- Oversee a large team of professional and administrative staff supporting the Office.
- Provide leadership for the TDH Office of Informatics and Analytics (includes analytic responsibility for the state Prescription Data Monitoring Program).
- Identify and prioritize major objectives for the Department regarding public health informatics and managing informatics project portfolios.
- Provide public health interoperability expertise and study data needs within and across programs to identify areas of integration and improve efficiency.
- Support data management needs for large grants in other programs.
- Make recommendations for policies and practices related to standards, interoperability, electronic health records and data use for improving population health with data sharing partners.
- Oversee partnerships and represent TDH with federal, state, and local partners regarding public health informatics, data management policies, and procedures.
- Work with the TDH Office of Information Technology Services on projects with overlapping areas of responsibility.
- Provide analytic services to support the TDH strategic plan, requests for information from Executive and Legislative branches as needed.
- Have responsibility for data analytics associated with the TDH Electronic Health Record system and business intelligence platforms.
- Oversee the Institutional Review Board.
- Have responsibility for the TDH data governance process internally and with external stakeholders.

Requirements:

- MD or PhD degree is preferred, with 5-8 years in a senior leadership role with experience in planning, directing, formulating policies, setting strategies, providing overall direction of informatics, and analytic activities.
- Public health experience at the local, state and/or national level.
- Specialized knowledge in the area of public health informatics.
- Outstanding communication, stakeholder engagement, and collaboration skills.
- Strong knowledge of data governance policies and procedures.

To apply:

Interested candidates should send a Cover Letter and CV to:

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